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## KAISER AGREES TO ABDICATE; RUMOR HE FLED TO SWITZERLAND

### GEORGE P. MARSH CRITICALLY ILL WITH INFLUENZA

CAPE SOLDIER IS STRICKEN  
WITH NEW DISEASE IN  
TEXAS ARMY CAMP.

### WIFE AND MOTHER HASTEN TO BEDSIDE

HE HAS MADE EXCELLENT RE-  
CORD IN ARMY—TWICE  
WON RECOGNITION.

George P. Marsh, one of the best known young men of Cape Girardeau is critically ill at Camp McArthur, Waco, Tex., where he is encamped. He is suffering from Spanish Influenza.

Mrs. George P. Marsh, who formerly was Miss Helen Vogelsanger, departed yesterday for Texas to be with her husband. She was accompanied by Mr. Marsh's mother, and they departed from St. Louis.

Mr. Marsh has been in the army for three months, and has made an exceptionally good record. He became ill several days ago with influenza, and when he was removed to the hospital, he telegraphed for his wife and mother.

It was reported from the camp yesterday that his condition was serious. It is not known here whether he is suffering from complications or not.

Mr. Marsh, who has been first sergeant of his company, has twice been recommended for the officers' training corps, but each time was rejected on final examination because of a minor physical defect. He still has hopes of entering the school and winning a commission.

Mr. Marsh came to Cape Girardeau three years ago and joined The Tribune, where he remained for two years. After leaving The Tribune, he entered the insurance business with Joel T. Nunn. When the United States entered the war against Germany, he made application for the officers' reserve corps, but then was also rejected because he did not come up to the physical requirements.

He is one of the most popular young men in Cape Girardeau, and his host of friends will hope for his recovery.

### FRISCO EMPLOYEES HELP BOND SALE

DEPARTMENT HEADS VISIT THE  
CAPE AND SELL \$4,850 IN  
LIBERTY BONDS.

Frisco railroad officials and brotherhood heads visiting Cape Girardeau in a special train held a meeting at the roundhouse shops at 1 o'clock yesterday in the interest of the liberty loan.

Although all, or approximately all of the employees at the shops and other departments had already bought bonds, \$4850 more were sold yesterday.

The officials present were S. S. Butler, chairman of the Fourth Liberty Loan for the Frisco system; Superintendent C. H. Claiborne, chairman for the district; C. C. Higgins, superintendent of motive power; W. B. Thompson, master mechanic; W. H. Powell, chairman of the blacksmith union; H. B. Smith, chairman

### FRISCO DEPOT TO COST MORE THAN \$35,000

Railroad Heads Tell Mayor  
Haas Bids Exceed Sum  
Appropriated

LOWEST OFFER IS  
TO BE ACCEPTED

Work Will Begin Within The  
Near Future Is Belief Of  
City Executive

Mayor H. H. Haas returned last night from a business trip to St. Louis and while there called on general manager Kern and architect Stephens of the Frisco.

Stephens informed the mayor that 15 bids had been submitted for the contract to build the depot at Cape Girardeau and that the lowest one was several thousand dollars above the \$35,000 which the company had appropriated for the building. The high cost of material at this time was the cause of the high bids it is supposed.

Notwithstanding the fact that all bids were above this amount the depot will be built anyhow, the architect told the mayor. The contract will be awarded to one of the lowest and best bidders and the company will appropriate more money to cover the increase over the \$35,000 already appropriated. The contract will be let right away, he was told, and the work will begin soon.

The officials said that they had spoken to the federal director and they thought there would be no difficulty in getting him to agree to allow more money to be appropriated. He had already agreed to allow the appropriation of an additional \$10,000 for concrete platform work and this sum can be enlarged to cover the addition required for the depot.

### PERRY COUNTY BOY OPERATED ON AT THE ST. FRANCIS HOSPITAL

Dr. G. A. Palisch of Frohna, Perry County brought the 11-year old son of Gottfried Bergt of that place to the hospital here yesterday morning for an operation to relieve a sore leg. The flesh was cut open, the bone scraped to remove the accumulated pus and drainage established. He was reported to be getting along fine yesterday afternoon.

of coppersmiths; R. A. Crutchell, chairman of machinists; J. W. Galloway, chairman of boilermakers; E. A. Brown, car foreman at Chaffee

The car department bought bonds to the amount of \$550; the store department \$350; the section gang \$400; yard crews \$500; machine shop and round house men \$3000.

While the speeches were being made the hat was passed round and enough money was collected to buy a \$50 bond which was donated to the local Red Cross Chapter.

The amount bought by the machine shop and round house force yesterday makes \$11,500 in all which they have purchased. This makes an average of about \$230 each for the 50 men employed in this department. The total amount purchased by the car department is \$3450, or an average of \$167 for each employee. The sum of \$7700 was subscribed at Chaffee yesterday morning when the special train was here.

After the meeting here was over the special went down the Hoxie line to try to sell bonds to employees along that branch.

### THE TRIBUNE TO CHANGE

With this issue, The Tribune temporarily suspends as a daily newspaper. The Weekly Tribune will continue, and we expect to devote all of our thought and energy to make it adequately fulfill the place of the daily.

We feel that The Daily Tribune has been a live element in disseminating news, and promoting the prosperity and advancement of this community. We have invested money, brains and energy in the enterprise, seeking no favors, preserving no grudges, wishing well to everyone, and endeavoring to the best of our ability and understanding to help our neighbors and the world in general to be brighter and better.

We feel that our contribution to the thought and general welfare of the city of Cape Girardeau has been valuable and is properly appreciated. Conditions, owing to war prices, with reference to cost of materials, scarcity and high price of labor, make it necessary for us to change the form of our service, at least temporarily.

Under the present labor conditions we have found it impossible to publish the kind of a daily newspaper that we should like to issue. But by devoting all of our time and energy to The Weekly Tribune, we can make it worthy of the community and up to the demands of the most critical public. With this in mind, and this only, we cast the die and cross the Rubicon.

There will be new features added to The Weekly Tribune from week to week, and it will grow better and stronger each issue. Every subscriber to The Daily Tribune, whose subscription is paid in advance, will receive the new Weekly Tribune. It will therefore go into more than 2,000 homes, when, multiplied by five, as the Government estimates the number of persons in the average family, The Weekly Tribune will be read each week by more than 10,000 people.

We are grateful to our friends and the friends of our friends for their support during the four and one half years that have come and gone since The Tribune began publishing a morning newspaper. If we can retain their friendship, which carries with it their support, The Weekly Tribune will serve its purpose and its management will be satisfied.

If, after the war, conditions are restored to normal, we expect to reenter the daily newspaper field, but for the present, this is our swan song.

### ELKS WILL BURY J. A. HAWKINS

FUNERAL OF WELL-KNOWN  
MAN WILL BE HELD TOMORROW  
AFTERNOON.

J. Albert Hawkins, freight agent for the Frisco here, died suddenly yesterday morning at 9:30 at his home on North Fountain street. Mr. Hawkins went to work as usual yesterday morning but after being there a short time complained of feeling ill and went home. He only lived a short time after he arrived home. His death was due to a heart trouble, with which he had been afflicted for a good while and which his physician had told him might carry him off at any time.

Mr. Hawkins was born in Commerce but came here with his parents when small and lived nearly all his life here. When 16 years of age he went to work for the Houck railroad and worked up to the position of general freight and passenger agent. When the Frisco purchased the Houck lines he continued to work as an employee of that company. He was away from Cape Girardeau only three years but still called it his home. He was employed by the Frisco at Memphis and Little Rock for three years and returned here in March to succeed Warren Baker as freight agent.

Albert Hawkins was the son of the late Judge D. L. Hawkins, who was once judge of the circuit court, and who was later appointed to a responsible position with the interior department during the Cleveland administration. He is survived by his wife, and two children, Mrs. William Bryan, of Pittsburg, Pa., who is on the way home to attend the funeral, and Daniel, a high school student living at home, and three sisters, Mrs. Chris Betten of this city, Mrs. Ralph Schultz of an Antonio, Texas, and Mrs. Fred Argo of Los Angeles, Cal., and one brother Charles Hawkins of Louisville, Ky.

Mr. Hawkins was a splendid man and citizen and had many friends in Cape Girardeau and Southeast Missouri. The funeral will be held at

### MEDICAL BOARD IS ESTABLISHED HERE

LOCAL DOCTORS TO PASS ON  
SOLDIERS DECLARED PHYSICALLY  
UNFIT.

A medical examination board to examine draft men with physical defects will be established in Cape Girardeau within the next few days. The physicians composing the board will be Doctors Walker, Hope, H. C. Cunningham, Howard, and Roberts, dentist.

The work of this board will be to give a thorough examination to men whom the local draft board examiner finds to have physical defects. Men found to have physical defects will be sent here for a more complete examination than the county board can give, to see if the defects are such as to entitle the man to exemption claims or to find if the defects can be rectified by surgical or medical treatment.

The county draft board is now examining the new registrants and is about half through with the task. The board will have plenty of material on which to work as soon as it can get together and commence work. The physicians in the city are very busy on account of the epidemic. Gustav Vogel has been assigned to duty as clerk for the board. He recently was called for service under the draft and was given his first duty with the county draft board who have stationed him here with the examining board.

### INFLUENZA TAKES GELDMACHER CHILD

Little William Geldmacher, the 19-months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Geldmacher of 227 South Frederick street died Tuesday night with influenza after an illness of a few days. Funeral services were held at the house by Fr. Puente of St. Mary's church yesterday. Interment was at St. Mary's Cemetery.

the home at 2 o'clock Friday under the auspices of the Elk's Club of which he was a member.

### GEO. MATTINGLY HAS INFLUENZA

REPORT FROM CARUTHERS-  
VILLE SAYS HE IS IN PRE-  
CARIOUS CONDITION.

It was reported yesterday afternoon that George Mattingly, a well-known traveling salesman of Cape Girardeau, was dying in Caruthersville, at which place he became ill a few days ago with Spanish Influenza.

Mattingly has rooms at the home of Mrs. Louis Hendrickson at 421 Broadway, where he lives when in the city. Mrs. Hendrickson left yesterday afternoon for Caruthersville to see after the sick man. No information as to his condition could be obtained last night.

Mattingly has lived in Cape Girardeau several years and traveled for the Weber Implement Company of St. Louis. Last May his son, Randall Mattingly, who was in the marine service, was killed in the Chateau-Thierry fighting in France.

### JACOB MEEKER IS DEAD.

St. Louis Congressman Married and  
Then Expired.

ST. LOUIS, MO., October 16.—Jacob E. Meeker, representative in Congress for the Tenth (St. Louis) District, died at the Jewish Hospital at 7:05 a. m., today of Spanish Influenza believed to have been contracted when he made a visit last Wednesday to the military camp at Jefferson Barracks, where more than 1000 cases of the disease were then under treatment.

His death occurred seven hours after his midnight marriage at the hospital to Mrs. Alice V. Redmon of 3433 Giles avenue, his secretary. The ceremony was performed when it was apparent there was no chance for his recovery.

### UPHEAVAL BREWS IN GERMANY IN PEACE EFFORTS

People Demand End Of the War,  
And Rumor Is Current That The  
Reichstag Has Agreed To Terms  
Laid Down By President Wilson

### ALLIES PENETRATE 40 MILES OF GERMAN TRENCHES IN FLANDERS

Many Cities Pass Into The Hands  
Of British, French And Americans  
In Most Stupendous Drive  
Of The Entire War.

Special Dispatch to The Tribune:  
AMSTERDAM, October 16.—Late dispatches from Berlin carried an unconfirmed report that the Kaiser had agreed to abdicate the throne, following an agreement by the Reichstag to accept the peace terms laid down by President Wilson. While no official confirmation has been received from Berlin that Germany has forwarded its third peace note to Washington, and that every condition demanded by the President has been accepted.

Coming with this report is the news that internal strife is threatened throughout Germany as a protest against the German Government's failure to make peace.

A rumor received early this evening stated that the Kaiser has fled into Switzerland, but dispatches from Berne deny that the Emperor has taken refuge there.

Special Dispatch to The Tribune:  
LONDON, October 16.—News received here this afternoon and again this evening from Holland, report that Germany has forwarded another note to Washington, accepting the demands of President Wilson as the initial step for peace. A series of rumors have been received from several capitals of hostile discord in the large cities of Germany, but at a late hour tonight none of these had been officially confirmed.

Dispatches reaching the allied capitals from various sources in Germany show conclusively that trouble will result in Germany unless the demands of the people for peace are met. The Reichstag was in session all of today, discussing the note received yesterday from President Wilson.

Special Dispatch to The Tribune:  
PARIS, October 16.—The city of Lille was entered by the British forces late today, and reports from the front say the Germans are abandoning the position under their control. The fall of this city is momentarily expected, if it has not already passed into the hands of the army.

Special Dispatch to The Tribune:  
LONDON, October 16.—The Allied drive in Flanders has become the greatest offensive of the war, and the British, French and Americans are now pushing the Germans back on a line more than forty miles long. Late reports from the front tonight estimate the number of Germans captured in the past three days to exceed 22,000. Many large guns have also been taken with great quantities of ammunition.

Special Dispatch to The Tribune:  
BRITISH ARMY HEADQUARTERS IN FLANDERS, October 16.—Belgian cavalry this morning was reported to be within a mile of the important railway center of Thielt. That town is only about 15 miles southwest of Ghent.

Special Dispatch to The Tribune:  
VIENNA, via Basle, October 16.—"We must admit there can be no peace based upon a success of arms," said Baron Burian of the Austrian foreign affairs committee to a delegation of Hungarians.

Special Dispatch to The Tribune:  
WITH THE AMERICAN FIRST ARMY, October 16.—The Americans have captured St. Juvin heights and have advanced northward from them. Two hundred and forty prisoners were taken. (St. Juvin is just east of Grand Pre).

Plunging through belts of German wire in the face of showers of hano grenades, the men of the first army have mopped up Grand Pre, crossed the pass through the Argonne and are pushing on.

Special Dispatch to The Tribune:  
COPENHAGEN, October 16.—The Tewfik ministry in Turkey has resigned and Izzet Pasha has been named grand vizier and minister of war, according to advices from Constantinople today.